ಶ್ರೀ ಜೆ. ಹೆಚ್. ಪಟೀಲ್.—ಕಾರ್ಖಾನೆಗಳು ಸಾಮಾನ್ಯವಾಗಿ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಸ್ವಾಯತ್ತ ಕಾರ್ಖಾನೆಗಳಾಗಿರುತ್ತವೆ. ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಪ್ರತಿನಿತ್ಯ ನೇರವಾಗಿ ಅವರ ವ್ಯವಹಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಕೈಹಾಕಲಿಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ, ಮಾನ್ಯ ಮಲ್ಲಾರಿಗೌಡ ಪಾಟೀಲರು ಹೇಳಿದ ಹಾಗೆ ಮ್ಯಾನೇಜ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮಿಸ್ಟೇಕ್ ಇರುತ್ತದೆ. economic situation itself so will be adverse ಅಂಥ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಕಷ್ಟವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ.

Construction of a Shopping Complex at Mysore for artisans.

Qn. No. 11 (130) Smt. Mukhtarunnisa, (Narashimharaja).—will the Minister of State for Small Scale Industries) be pleased to State:—

a) whether there is any proposal to construct a Shopping Complex for artisans at Mysore ;

b) whether there is a separate market in Mysore where such goods could be sold directly to the consumers and foreign tourists :

c) if not, whether Government would start such a complex for direct sale of handicrafts and avoid exploitation of poor craftsman by middlemen ?

Sri R. V. Deshpande (Minister of State for Small Scale Industries)—

a) No.

b) No, but the Karnataka State Handicrafts Development Corporation has two show-rooms in Mysore-one at C.T.I. Building, Sayyaji Rao Road and another at Zoological Gardens, Mysore, where handicrafts articles are being sold directly to the customers and foreign tourists.

c) As the Corporation has already two show-rooms at Mysore, It is not considered necessary to open further showrooms or complexes in Mysore by the Corporation. As a part of the Corporations efforts to eliminate middlemen, Corporation is operating a scheme to supply Sandalwood at concessional rates to the genuine and needy artisans and procuring the finished goods directly from them and selling them through the Corporation showrooms. The Corporation is purchasing handicrafts items from other artisans also.

Smt. Muktharunnisa.—Is it not the policy of the Government to encourage artisans engaged in ivory and sandalwood handicrafts work ?

Sri R. V. Deshpande.—It is the obligation of the Government to encourage articisans in the State. Government is encouraging them and for information last year in Mysore 6,818 kgs. of sandalwood has been supplied.

Smt. Muktharunnisa.—Sir, in Mysore many of the artisans are complaining that all their finished goods are being sold through middlemen only and they are not getting orders direct from the Government or the Handicrafts Corporation thus putting them to lot of hardship in selling their products. Therefore, will the Government think of opening more shopping complex on the highway or other places to help them to sell their finished products and to get reasonable price for them.